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WEATHER FORECAST
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Barometer 30.04

December 11, 1913, Temperature a.m. 67, p.m. 67
Humidity " 94, " 89

December 11, 1913, Temperature a.m. 58, p.m. 68,
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TELEGRAMS.

AFRICAN OUTRAGE.

SIR LIONEL PHILLIPS SHOT.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 12.
Reuter's correspondent at Johannesburg states that Sir Lionel Phillips was shot while outside the Rand Club, on the hip and in the neck.
His condition is not grave.
Further Details.

Later.
Reuter's correspondent at Johannesburg states that the assailant has been arrested. He is a Russian named Nissum, and is described as a storekeeper at Ferreira Mine. He said the mine had tried to ruin him, and he did not see why others should live if they did not allow him to live.

The crowd seized Nissum, who attempted to commit suicide.
Sir Lionel Phillips was, at the time of the outrage, walking with Sir James Fitzpatrick to lunch at the Club.—Reuter.

[Sir Lionel Phillips is Unionist M.P. for Yeoville, Transvaal, and is a partner in the firm of Werner, Beit and Co., London. He was formerly President of the Witwatersrand Chamber of Mines, and was one of the four Uitlanders condemned to death by Judge Gregorowski, and subsequently released.]

THE P. & O. STRIKE.

SIR THOMAS SUTHERLAND'S VIEWS.

London, Received December 12.

Sir Thomas Sutherland, presiding at the meeting of shareholders of the P. and O. Steamship Company, said that the accounts were the best since the South African transport work. Referring to the "ugly subject" of the officers' strike, he said that he could not recall a single case of an officer leaving the service in order to better his position in any other steamship company. After detailing the conditions of pay, and the pensions, he said that when officers, and gentlemen, adopted Trade Unionist tactics, and left the ships at the busiest period of the year, the company had entered upon a new era. He admitted that the officers had some reason to complain of the slowness of promotion, but this was now being removed by the retiring of Commanders and Chief Engineers at an earlier age. The Company recognised the necessity of dealing with the strike in a conciliatory way. The settlement would cost a considerable sum annually, but it was imperative. The obligation of the mail service left no option except to end an impossible situation. He mentioned that the Australian service had done exceptionally well.—Reuter.

SUNKEN SUBMARINE.

HOW THE DISASTER OCCURRED.

London, Received December 11.
Details of the foundering of submarine O14 off Plymouth show that as the submarine was entering the harbour with a flotilla, a Government hopper collided with her. The pumps proved ineffectual, and the crew were ordered on deck, perfect discipline prevailing. Signals were made for assistance and the crew were taken off by coast-guard boats.—Reuter.

THE M.C.C. TOUR.

London, Received December 12.

Reuter's correspondent at Marylebone states that the match between the M.C.C. team and Natal resulted in a draw.—Reuter.

TELEGRAMS.

THE FRENCH CABINET.

ITS POLICY EXPLAINED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 11.
Reuter's Paris correspondent says the Cabinet announces its policy to-day. It will not mention the matter of the £50,000,000 loan, but promises an early debate, at which measures to meet the situation will be announced, including income-tax and other democratic taxes. The Government intends to loyally enforce the Three Years' Military Service Act and is of opinion that the question of electoral reform, on which the Chamber and the Senate disagree, ought to be decided by the country at the approaching elections.

London, Received December 12.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the Ministerial declaration by the Premier corresponds with the forecast already wired.—Reuter.

GERMAN CHANCELLOR'S SPEECH.

WHAT THE PRESS THINKS.

Berlin, Received December 11.
Discussing the Chancellor's speech the popular press states that the dream of the Socialists of a constitutional conflict, which would lead to government by Parliament alone, has vanished.

The proposals by the Socialists to cancel the salaries of the Imperial Chancellor and the Minister of War have not been supported.

The speech is described as optimistic but all parties agree with the desire to come to a better understanding with Great Britain. The speech of the Imperial Chancellor as regards the relations between Great Britain and Germany has been well received, but it is pointed out that the entente between England and France is unshakable.

The Imperial Chancellor pointed out in the Reichstag the isolation of the Socialists in their endeavours to upset the constitution.—Ost. Der. Lloyd.

VICE PRESIDENT LI.

ARRIVES IN PEKING.

Peking, Received December 11.
Secretary Liang Shih-yi and five other representatives of the President yesterday afternoon proceeded to Peking-fu in order to accord a welcome to Vice-President Li Yuan-hung, who is expected to arrive in Peking this morning.

All the Ministers and eight representatives of each ministry are to meet the distinguished visitor at the railway station.

Whether Li Yuan-hung will remain in Peking for good depends upon how successful Tang Chi-jui is in mastering the situation at Wuhan. Nevertheless, it is planned, although there is strong opposition to the proposal, to keep the Vice-President in the capital.

Later.
The Vice-President arrived at 8.30 this morning. Strong military guards were posted at the railway station. The members of the Cabinet and General Yin-chang and staff were present. President Yuan Shih-kai's bodyguard formed two deep on the platform and the guard of honour was composed of sailors.

The Vice-President immediately entered a carriage and drove to the Palace, where, by order of the President, he has been allocated apartments opposite Ocean Hotel, where the late Emperor Kuang-hsu spent the last days of his life.

It is generally believed in high military circles that Li Yuan-hung will not stay longer than three weeks in Peking.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

TELEGRAMS.

POSTAL GRIEVANCES.

NO CHRISTMAS STRIKE.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 12.
Mr. Samuel, Postmaster General, has informed a deputation of postal workers that the Cabinet has taken into account the rise in the cost of living, but considers that the wages of Post Office employees are sufficiently good.
The men's leader announces that, whatever step is next taken, it will not be a Christmas strike.—Reuter.

CHINESE AMBASSADOR.

RECEIVED BY THE KAISER.

Be'lin, Received December 10.
Mr. Yen, the Chinese Ambassador to Berlin, has been received in audience by the Kaiser, being introduced to his Majesty by Secretary Zimmerman.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

AMBASSADOR RECALLED.

Peking, Received December 10.
China's Ambassador at the Hague, Wei Chen-tsu, who was formerly a member of the Kuomintang, has been recalled to Peking and is succeeded by Tang Tsai-fu.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

CHINESE CONSTITUTION.

THE NEW UPPER HOUSE.

Peking, Received December 10.
The new Constitution Committee has been named the Kuofahui-yi.
This Committee will later on become the Upper House of the new Parliament.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

CHINESE APPOINTMENTS.

RESHUFFLING OF POSTS.

Peking, Received December 11.
The portfolio of Minister of War has been taken over by Feng Kuo-chang, and Tuan Tse-kuei has been appointed Tatu of the province of Chihli.

Tuan Chi-jui has been appointed Tatu of Hupeh, and Chan Choping represents him.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

GERMANY'S UNEMPLOYED.

SCHEME TO PROVIDE WORK.

Berlin, Received December 11.
The Imperial Chancellor has announced in the Reichstag that material has been collected for the framing of a scheme of providing work for those who are willing to work but have none to do.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

THE BRUNSWICK QUESTION.

Berlin, Received December 11.
In the Reichstag Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg satisfactorily explained that it was unnecessary to waive the claim of Hanover in order to reach a solution of the Brunswick question.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

NANKING TROUBLES.

AN OFFICIAL DENIAL.

Berlin, Received December 11.
The Ministry of War contradicts yesterday's rumour concerning troubles at Nanking.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

TELEGRAMS.

MEXICAN AFFAIRS.

PLIGHT OF REFUGEES.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 11.
Reuter's New York correspondent reports that over a hundred refugees from Chihuahua succumbed to hunger and thirst and the bullets of the rebels in the desert. Two Federal Generals have arrived at Orizaba in a state of collapse.

Reuter's correspondent at Vera Cruz says a large force of rebels attacked Tampico yesterday.

Vigorous Fighting.
London, Received December 12.
The latest news from Mexico is that the insurgents are vigorously attacking Tampico, and there has been hard fighting since last evening.

The liner Kron Prinzessin Cecilie has already embarked a number of refugees, and the American Admiral Fletcher says he is prepared to take the refugees on his vessels and to land marines if advisable.—Reuter.

FIGHTING IN SAHARA.

FRENCH LOSSES.

London, Received December 12.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that there was heavy fighting in French Sahara on November 27.

The French took an important position at Aingalaka, by assault, their losses being four officers and 12 native riflemen killed, and three officers and 19 native riflemen wounded.—Reuter.

OBITUARY.

MR. STANLEY HOUGHTON.

London, Received December 12.
The death is announced of Mr. Stanley Houghton, the dramatist, author of "Hindle Wakes."—Reuter.

RUSSIA AND MONGOLIA.

GERMANY AND THE TREATY.

Berlin, Received December 10.
Herr Jagow, Minister for Foreign Affairs, states that the reported treaty between Russia and Mongolia has not so far been officially notified to Germany, either by Peking or St. Petersburg. Consequently, Germany does not yet recognise any new treaty.—Der. Ost. Lloyd.

S.S. EASTERN'S GOOD VOYAGE.

The s.s. Eastern, of the E. and A. S.S. Co., under command of Capt. F. Carter, arrived from Australia at 3 a.m. to-day. The Commander reports having left Sydney on November 19, calling at Brisbane, Townsville, Cairns, and Port Darwin. Leaving the latter port on December 1, the Eastern arrived at Manila Sunday evening last, the 7th inst., and landed over 1,200 tons of general cargo, also a fair number of passengers.

Fine weather and calm seas prevailed throughout and a most enjoyable voyage was experienced by all aboard. The vessel left Manila on Tuesday last at 9 p.m., and after a smart trip across, notwithstanding that a moderate sea was running, made an early appearance this morning. A good cargo, also a large quantity of refrigerator cargo, is being landed.

TELEGRAMS.

ARMS FOR ULSTER.

FURTHER SEIZURES.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 11.
The Customs authorities at Fleetwood have seized large quantities of ammunition, consigned to Ulster. Passengers arriving at Irish ports are much delayed by the searching of their luggage.

Mr. Hobhouse, speaking at Bristol, said that undoubtedly there had been a very considerable importation of arms and ammunition into Ulster, and the prohibition of this importation was none too soon.—Reuter.

MISS MAUD ALLAN COMING.

Great interest is being evinced in the forthcoming visit of the most famous Classical Dancer in the world, Miss Maud Allan, who will open here early in 1914.

How I dance and why, and what is my intention in my dance, says Maud Allan in her book entitled "My Life and Dancing," no one can say for certain. She says, "I, least of all, for as I think, and breathe, and live so I dance, and as for method a searching cry from one of the woodwind instruments in the Orchestra—a deeper sigh from the violoncello, a sudden impulsive throb from the great bass, or a warning muffled note from the horns, and what I have to express as I dance above them, as the stage changes, as a chance word said in a new tone in a conversation, alters the whole tenor of the talk. Many who have watched me time after time have asked me why I can never dance to the same measure twice in exactly the same manner—I cannot answer, I only know that as the music calls so every muscular fibre that responds to the breathing of my heart, responds to the particular voice, and the tone becomes a movement.

The party consists of Maud Allan and the famous Russian instrumentalists Leo, Jan and Michel Cherniavsky.

WANTED—A BOOK.

All Produced Except One.

In the Summary Court, this morning, before Mr. Justice Gompertz the case in which three Sun-Yee Shing claims \$729.13 from Ip Ka, was mentioned.

Mr. Bass (Messrs Goldring and Bass) for the plaintiffs, said that in this case, about a fortnight ago his Lordship made an order for discovery. The defendants produced a lot of books, but would not produce the book that was most important.

His Lordship:—Has he got it?
Mr. Bass:—I suppose he has, he has all the books except this one.

Mr. Crowther Smith:—I appear for Mr. Heywood in this case. He says the book has nothing to do with this case. He says he has produced all the books in the case.

His Lordship:—You are not going to rely upon it, but I suppose you will have it in Court?

Mr. Crowther Smith:—I don't know.

His Lordship:—Where is Mr. Heywood?

Mr. Smith:—In the Police Court. He told me he was not going to rely on it, and it does not matter.

Mr. Bass:—We are going to rely on it.
His Lordship:—You had better come to Chambers to-morrow. The case was fixed for Monday.

TELEGRAMS.

FINANCIAL UNREST.

SPANISH BANK SUSPENSOS.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received December 12.
Reuter's correspondent at Madrid states that, following a continuous "run" on the Hispano-American Bank yesterday, the Bank has to-day suspended payment.

It has a paid-up capital of £1,500,000 and current accounts to the value of £4,000,000.

The Bank is largely interested in Mexico.—Reuter.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

Eastern Extension Office.

Bansengwhatt, Singapore.
Chahosyonghong Takuta, Singapore.
Chiatso, Semarang.
Druclo, Tientsin City.
Hingcheong Tailor Wellington Street, Singapore.
Hunwhy, Bangkok.
Italio, New York.
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Kuchong, Kobe.

MUST COME BACK.

Mr. Needham, (of Ewens and Needham) asked his Honour (Mr. Justice Gompertz) in the Summary Court, this morning, to allow the claim of Siu Yau-ohi against Yee Hing for \$334 to stand over, as the defendant whom he represented was away.

Mr. Otto Kong-sing, for the plaintiff, said that he must object as the case had gone over several times, and he would ask his Lordship to fix a date.

His Lordship:—Yes, this case has gone over several times.
Mr. Kong Sing: Yes, my friend was prepared to have it fixed for Friday.

His Lordship:—This case came up last week; your man must come back.
The hearing was fixed for Wednesday.

Sequel to Pawnshop Robbery.

On December 6 it was reported to the police that someone by means of a duplicate key opened a safe in a pawnshop at 100 Queen's Road Central and stole a quantity of jewellery and securities. As the result of police enquiries an arrest was effected yesterday, and property to the value of \$940 recovered. It is alleged that the man arrested went to the shop to visit a friend there and after announcing that he was going home reentered himself in the shop and, when all was quiet, opened the safe.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

CONDENSED.

Vice President Li has arrived in Peking.

The M. O. C. team has drawn with Natal.

There is to be no Christmas strike of postal employees.

The Hispano-American Bank, Madrid, has suspended payment.

A scheme is on foot in Germany to find work for the unemployed.

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TELEGRAMS. CONDENSED

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NEWS.

Log Book appears on page 6 and Commercial news on page 9.

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Association was held last night.

The case against the *China Outlook* was again mentioned at the Summary Court this morning.

General news and an interesting article on some ancient Chinese manuscripts appear in this issue.

The Paines Judge to-day gave judgment in the case in which Patrick O. Potts, broker, sued Li Kin-tong for \$1,000—the Lang-kats case.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Cliffonian Dinner H.K. Club.

TO-MORROW.

Victoria Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Kinetophone, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Boxing, Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

Sale of China and Curios G. P. Lammer's Sales Room—2.30 p.m.

Auction Sale, cloths etc., G. P. Lammer's Sales Room—11 a.m.

Monday December 15
Sale Leasehold Property—G. P. Lammer's Sales Room—3 p.m.

Tuesday, December 16
Auction Sale leasehold Property—G. P. Lammer's Sales Room—3 p.m.

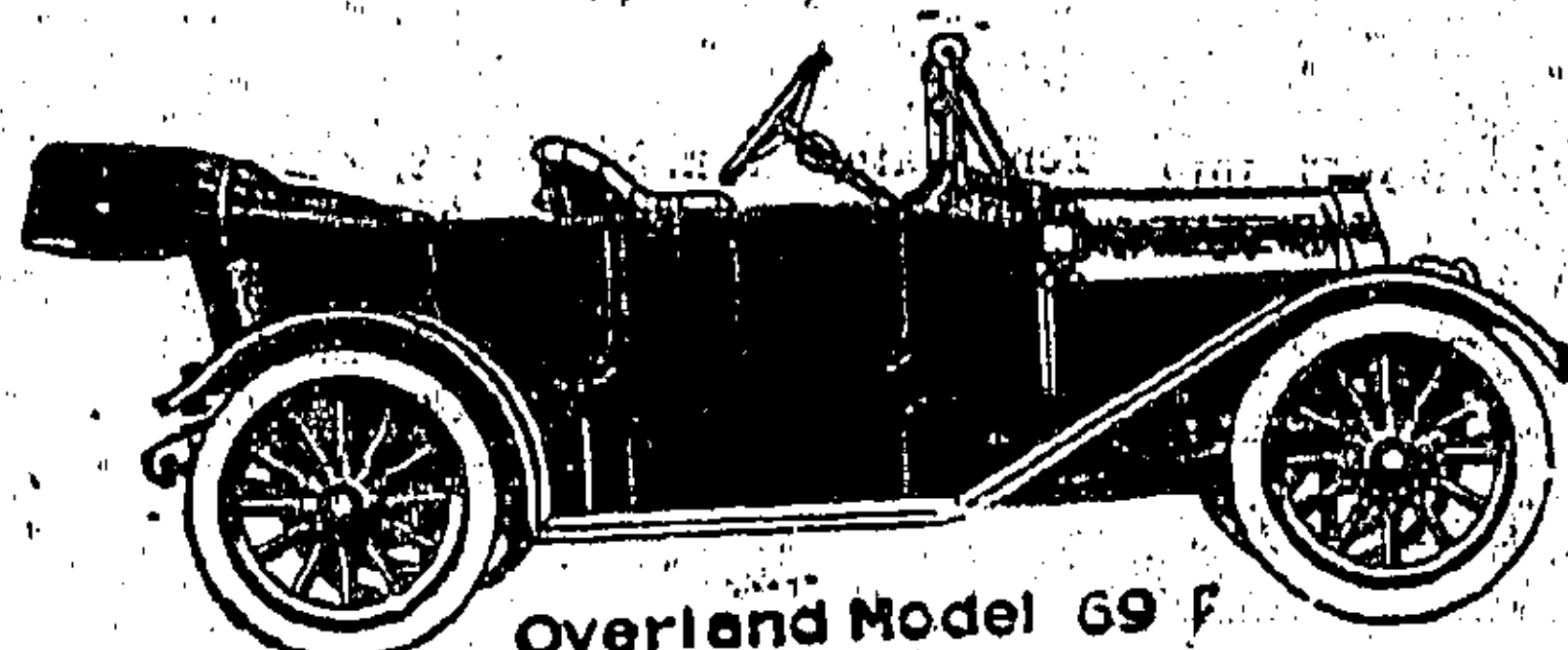
Wednesday, December 17
Sale of Antique China and Curios—G. P. Lammer's Sales Room—2.45 p.m.

Thursday, December 18
Sale of Antique China and Curios—G. P. Lammer's Sales Room—2.45 p.m.

Friday, January 6
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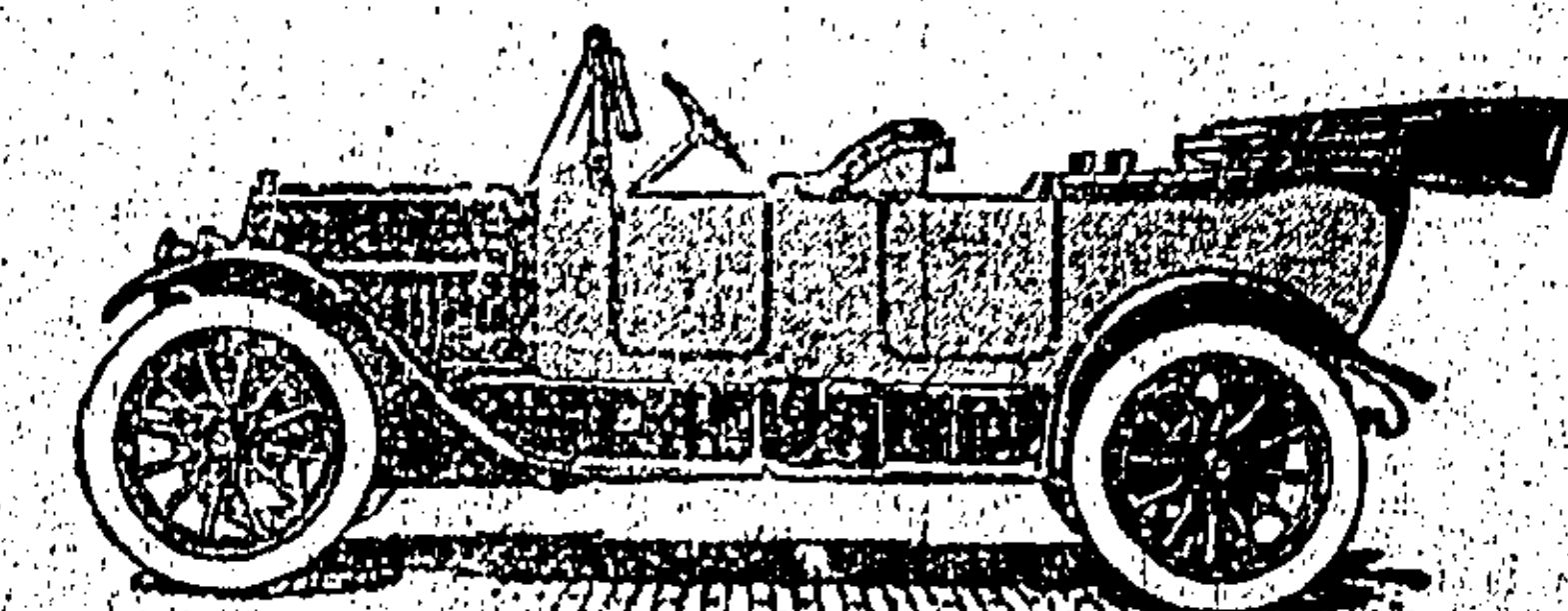
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Middlemost Missionaries.
The Japan Times, a paper whose avowed object is to promote a better understanding between the Japanese and foreign public, refers somewhat obliquely to the matter when discussing the conspiracy in Formosa, by congratulating that colony on having "no missionaries on the spot to find the Japanese rule, likewise, in running a urinary business with the natives as customers." While we can agree with the Japan Gazette when it says that such comments as those we have summarised fail to recognise the moral enormity of the crime imputed and the crying need that Japan should, once for all, clear her skirts of such an imputation, we consider at the same time they show the missionaries themselves the wisdom of the advice quoted in this column yesterday as being given by the Rev. Arnold Forster to the missionaries in China: "Do not meddle in any sort of way with questions involving the relation of natives to the Courts or to their Government. If missionaries in China needed any further illustration of the mischief which results from this too frequent practice, they have it in the attitude of hostility which the Japanese people exhibit towards the American missionary in Korea."

South China Morning Post.

French Taxation Policies.

The present political crisis in France is notable, particularly because it returns to the folio of Finance M. Caillaux, who has always been an especial favourite of British statesmen. Indeed when last in office he was an excellent and constant advocate of the emulation which existed between the English and French Governments in the matter of fiscal spoliation. Mr. Asquith once declared that M. Caillaux was the most genial Minister of Finance in the world, and in return for this courtesy M. Caillaux has never ceased to invoke the support of his proposals the example of the British Cabinet. Under the Birtch ministry the emulation in the application of a draconian fiscal system to a great extent ceased to exist, or, in any event, ceased to be a scourge, but now that M. Caillaux is again French Minister of Finance, its restoration is more than probable,—it is likely

China Mail.

The Traders' Complaints Against Railways.

As the nationalisation of the railways at Home bids fair soon to become a question of the utmost importance, it is interesting to read what has led up to the present situation. The inquiry by the Royal Commission; we learn, has been determined upon in a large measure as a result of complaints by traders, who contend that the railway companies seem to have quoted to some differential rates for corresponding merchandise or minerals as compared with those given to others. There is a strong demand for "equal mileage rates." In this we have one of the instances of the importance of fuller knowledge being rendered available for the general public. The cry for equal mileage rates is about as defensible as the demand for, should we say, an equal price for all ladies' dresses, or an equal price per ton for all steamships, irrespective of the work done, or the resultant effect. We have referred to the complexity of railway management, and there is no department of it involving greater difficulties than the arrangement of the rates of freight.

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GENERAL NEWS

Memoria's in St. Paul's.

The Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's Cathedral wish it to be known that no further memorials of the dead can be placed on the main floor of the Cathedral without their opinion, encroaching upon the space which should be reserved for worshippers, or impairing the architectural beauty of the interior. There are 78 monuments on the main floor of the Cathedral. The decision of the Dean and Chapter does not affect the Crypt.

Glasgow "Boulevard" Scheme.

Representatives of the city of Glasgow, the county of Dumfriesshire, and the burgh of Clydebank have agreed provisionally on a scheme for constructing a new road or boulevard from the west end of the city to Bowling. The road will be at least 100 ft. in width, about 8½ miles in length, and will pass through a district not yet opened up by roadways. It will be a continuation of Great Western-road, the great west end highway of Glasgow.

The Crystal Palace.

Application will be made next Session for Parliamentary powers for the incorporation of a body of trustees to be called "The Crystal Palace Trustees." It will consist of representatives of the contributing authorities and of other persons who may be hereafter nominated. The powers sought include the right to extend, alter, and repair or remove the structure, to make charges for admission, and generally to maintain and manage the Palace.

Whaling Party Overboard.

Victoria, B. C., October 31.—John Borden, the Chicago sportsman, who with a party of friends arrived here yesterday from Alaska on the Borden auxiliary yacht *Adventure*, had a thrilling experience while in search of whales in the vicinity of Kodiak Island. They had set out in a whaleboat with the hope of harpooning at least one of a large school of bowheads which were spouting off the coast, when a sudden squall struck their craft, dumping the party into the water. All of them were good swimmers, and they held on to the whaleboat until help reached them from the yacht.

Waterloo Station improvement.

Excellent progress is being made with the work which is gradually transforming this miscellaneous collection of buildings and platforms which constituted the old Waterloo Station of the London and South-Western Railway into a modern terminus. Already the aspect of the station has been so changed that only the North Station remains of the once familiar arrangement of South, Main, Line, and North Stations. The old steep and tortuous approaches to the platforms are being replaced by wide roads of easy gradient leading to large booking halls, to a spacious circulating area, and to wide and well arranged platforms. When the work is completed the terminus will take high rank among modern railway stations.

Bid to Carry Arctic Mail.

Washington, October 31.—A bid for carrying the mails three thousand miles during the Arctic winter over the mountains of northern Alaska, was received to-day by the Post Office Department. The bid came from Charles D. Brower, of Point Barrow, of Point Barrow, Alaska, the most northern post-office on the Continent, and a close rival for northern honours with any in the world. Brower wants to carry the mail from Point Barrow to Kotzebue Sound five hundred miles southward. The man who gets the contract must take three round trips each winter, when the seas are frozen and transportation by dogs and sled over land alone is possible in that region. Brower's bid was sent to Commandant Berthoff, of the revenue cutter service, whom he knew in the Arctic, and by him forwarded to the Post Office Department.

Brower's letter was more than two months in getting to Washington, from Point Barrow. He has lived in the Arctic thirty years, and is the only white man who inhabits that far northern community. He is employed by an American fur company.

THE OLDEST CHINESE WRITINGS.

Story of a Remarkable Find.

The *Times*, writing of M. Etienne Chavannes's Translation into French of the Chinese documents discovered by Sir Aurel Stein (just published at three guineas net by the Oxford University Press) says:—

In our review of Sir Aurel Stein's "Ruins of Desert Oases," published on March 7 of last year, mention was made of the eminent explorer's discovery, amongst the ruins of watch towers and rubbish heaps of the ancient Chinese frontier wall, of a number of documents dating from the first century of the Christian era. All these early records, excavated from that trackless waste of sand, beneath which lie the far-flung outposts of the Han dynasty, were entrusted by their discoverer to the well-known sinologist, M. Etienne Chavannes, Member de l'Institut, who undertook their detailed study and publication. The results of M. Chavannes's critical examination and classification of these extraordinarily interesting relics are now published by the Oxford University Press, in a form which leaves nothing to be desired. With the courage of true erudition, M. Chavannes has reproduced the complete Chinese text of every document, together with his own translations and scholarly annotations; moreover, all the most important pieces are reproduced in facsimile. His work cannot fail to prove a joy (and a succulent bone of contention) to sinologists for many years to come. In a brief preface he invites the collaboration of philologists and scholars expert in the early history of Central Asia, with a view to the verification of certain of his conclusions on delicate points of chronology and literary criticism.

To the Chinese literati, with whom reverence for the written language is a religion, these discoveries of manuscripts on paper and wood—writings older than anything at present existing in China—must rank as an event of the very highest importance. The wooden records of the Han dynasty, found on the sites of lonely outposts of the "Lima," cover a period extending from the first century B.C. to the second century of our era; their interest for Chinese scholars lies not only in the fact that they are the only Han texts of which we have knowledge, but because they contain authentic specimens of the classical *Chang tiao* style of writing, hitherto reproduced only from copies of copies which have gradually lost their original characteristics. It requires no vivid imagination to realize how deep must be the interest aroused amongst the literati of China by Sir Aurel Stein's discovery, on wooden tablets of the first century A.D., of three fragments of the *Chi Chiu chang*, a famous vocabulary composed by a eunuch of the Palace about 40 B.C., which a century later, had become the recognized text-book used in teaching children to read and write, even to the remotest frontiers of the Empire. One of these fragments, "a beautifully written and perfectly preserved triangular tablet of wood," about 14 in. long, contains the first chapter of this classic. "No doubt," observes M. Chavannes, "it will be of the highest value to the literati, who have made many critical studies of the text of the *Chi Chiu chang*." This may well be believed, for in all China there exists to-day no such venerable manuscript. All the authentic texts of this ancient lexicon have long since disappeared, and the existing editions have afforded matter for dispute to scribes and commentators since the twelfth century.

But apart from the deep interest which M. Chavannes's work must possess for sinologists and philologists, there lies a fascination in its every page for all those whose imagination is a rejoicer in the visions which it summons from a long-forgotten past, for those who have ears to hear the soft voices of those sons of Han, ever patient toilers, lamenting their exile in the wilderness. It is no small thing to have traced the well-springs of to-day's "Immeasurable Spring" of literature, to have unearthed the oldest speci-

mens of paper made and written upon by the hands of men; but the human interest of these discoveries lies deeper still. With a master hand, and with that intuitive sympathy which is the soul of antiquarian research, M. Chavannes has reconstructed, from this fragment and jigsaw of the desert, the daily life of the Chinese garrisons which held the farthest frontiers of the Empire against the Huns, two thousand years ago, and kept open the trade routes to Farghana, Yarkand, and the regions of the west. It is impossible to gaze unmoved upon these footprints on the sands of time, upon the simple homely relics left by those who, before the dawn of our civilization, had their well-ordered being by the walls amidst this barren waste.

Most of the wooden records recovered from the "Lima" refer to the daily routine of the frontier soldiers' lives: their food and equipment, their alarms and excursions, their labour of days and home sickness. But not all, for there are some which prove that, even in these outposts of the desert, the soldiers of the world's oldest Empire had their treatises on divination, their medical prescriptions, and their simple classics. And there are other laconic records which breathe the sighs of many a heart sick exile, voices that echoed clearly in the poetry of the Tang dynasty 700 years later and which speak to this day in the instinctive philosophy of the race. But, as a whole, the message of these voices from out the long-buried past is a simple homely message of the day's work cheerfully done. He must be dead of soul who can hear it and withhold his tribute of admiration and respect for a race that founded so long ago in wisdom a civilization so splendid and so enduring.

CHINESE POLITICS.

Meeting of Both Houses of Parliament.

At the House of Representatives in Peking on December 1, there was a joint informal meeting of the members of the two Houses of Parliament. Over three hundred members attended the meeting which was presided over by Mr. Tang Hui-lung, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Speaker Tang read before the members a despatch from the Government in which President Yuan requested the Speakers of the two Houses to order the reserve Parliamentary members of the provinces to come to Peking as soon as possible, so that the Parliament might resume meetings at the earliest moment. After the report was read, the question of the interpellation was brought up. According to the Parliamentary Law, a letter of interpellation might be addressed to the Government if it was signed by twenty or more members. The letter of interpellation in question has been signed by over thirty members. After a long deliberation, the members agreed that this letter of interpellation should be signed by all the members present at the meeting.

Speaker Tang then said that as the Parliament was in suspension, no member could be legally allowed to resign. One member supported the Speaker's view and said that the existence of a Parliament in the Chungking Republic was of vital importance and it was not right for any member to resign at this critical moment.

The following is a summary of the resolutions passed at the meeting:—

(1) As all communications between the Parliament and the various Government organizations must be sent through the Government, the despatch addressed to the Parliament directly by the Parliamentary Preparation Bureau could not be considered as a legal document which should therefore be annulled.

(2) On no account shall the members of Parliament leave Peking.

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(4) Hereafter, the Parliament shall call an informal meeting once.

(5) The Government shall be asked to reply to the two letters of interpellation within three days. If the Government does not comply with the demand, succeeding interpellations shall be addressed to the Government until it finally makes its reply.

(6) If the members present at the meeting have more opinions of interpellation which were not expressed in the two letters of interpellation, they may suggest further interpellations.

(7) The two letters of interpellation should be signed by all the members present at the meeting, but those who were unwilling to put down their signature might be exempted.

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PRESIDENT WILSON'S TRIUMPH.

Whatever may be the merits or the demerits of the new American Tariff Act, which is now in full operation, the fact cannot be gainsaid that its passage into law represents a great personal triumph for President Wilson. This great question of a revision of the tariff was the first work to which the new Democratic administration put its hands, and no-one disguised the fact that the task which President Wilson had set himself was one of enormous magnitude. He was very much up against favoured interests, strongly entrenched as a result of previous legislation, and from the first, compromises and defeats were the subjects of daily prophecy. But by steadily plodding away at the goal in view, the desired end has been attained, and the remarkable fact about the whole business is that the attainment is so complete and has been reached with such promptitude. The result is a measure which constitutes the first approach to an honest piece of work in tariff revision known to the present generation.

One outstanding feature of the deliberations on the Bill was the powerlessness of protected interests in the Senate, where almost from time immemorial they had had their stronghold. It was anticipated in many quarters that when the measure came to be dealt with in detail these interests would be able to wreck it, but, contrary to expectations, most of the changes made in the conference stage were in the direction of lower duties. As one of the leading New York journals put it, even the clamour of the localities—and Democratic localities at that—failed to check the tendency, and "the metal, wool, cotton and chemical schedules have all been emasculated of the old extreme protection. For good or ill, the United States comes out from behind its tariff ramparts." Of course, the revision has not been so complete as the Free Traders would wish, but a sufficiently definite step has been taken to allow of something like a fair trial of the new policy. The extreme Protectionists dilated gloomily on the dire ruin which would result, when the Bill was first advanced, but it is significant that so far there has been a complete absence of any profound disturbance of business such as was predicted.

There is much, of course, to be said for both Free Trade and Protection, whether we look at the question from the standpoint of America or of Great Britain. But candid, level-headed observers will admit that both countries have too long been following extreme policies—in opposite directions, of course. In this, as in other big issues, it is the happy mean which should be kept in view, and, for that reason, the enactment which has been passed into law in America must command widespread approval. And the lesson to be learned by England is not, as superficial thinkers would urge, to adhere to Free Trade because America is lowering her tariffs, but to aim, like the United States, at the golden mean. These points apart, there can be no doubt that, by his speedy handling of the tariff problem, President Wilson has gained fresh prestige and honour for himself. It shows him as a man who knows his mind and who is sufficiently a statesman to see that his intentions are translated into actualities.

Hongkong Football Association.

The Hongkong Football Association is apparently an energetic body, for all its youth. There was abundant need, for some time before it is a birth for a controlling body, and it is being taken seriously. It is good to note, however, in an official handbook which the Association has just issued, that the secretary remarks, "we must play the part of guide rather than that of schoolmaster." That is the proper spirit provided that the Association does not forget that it must not very promptly and sternly as schoolmaster when necessary. The young body is to be congratulated, by the way, on the handbook which has just been issued. It is very neatly got up and is a readable and helpful handbook which is full of good things.

Hints to Referees.

Some of the hints to referees, for instance, are agreeably instructive. We quote one:—"On leaving the field, do not explain your actions, especially to pressmen. Your slightest remark is likely to be so twisted." Quite good advice, on the whole, though we have known very few pressmen who would twist a remark that was in itself quite clear. If it is a bit twisted to begin with, of course, the pressman may unconsciously turn it a bit more. But the best thing a referee can do is to give a decision, and give it quickly and hold his tongue about it afterwards. Every referee makes mistakes, and, if one is made, the less said about it the better. As for the handbook, we should judge that the Association has made a financial success of it. It is sufficiently well advertised to ensure that there will be no loss at least, and is so good a ten cents worth that it should find many purchasers. The young body is doing good work for the game in the Colony and sportsmen wish it a long life.

Relics for White House.

Americans the world over will be glad to learn that the collection of historical relics at White House have recently been augmented by some distinctly interesting gifts. After a search covering several years, the collection of the Administrations of Presidents Tyler and Van Buren have been secured and placed in safe keeping. The new collection includes certain dishes and other personal effects used by the two former occupants of White House named above, and we learn that Mrs. Wilson, the wife of the present President, has taken a deep interest in the steps which have resulted in the acquisition of these articles, and has expressed her thanks to the donors. These ancient reminders of past days will greatly enhance the value of the fine collection now accommodated at the White House, and it is only fitting that they should be secured for the nation.

The Gifts.

It is interesting to note the nature of these new gifts. The President Tyler relic takes the form of a dinner-plate, one of a set especially prized by President Tyler, and in addition to this we notice that Judge Gardner Tyler, a son of the late President, also intends sending two silver fruit-baskets which were used in White House, and which were rescued from the ashes of the Tyler home when it was burned, after the surrender of Richmond in the Civil War. The Van Buren relic is a hand-somely engraved silver water-pitcher, a gift from Benjamin F. Butler to the late President. This has been contributed by Mrs. H. Singleton Green, of Columbia, who received it from her aunt—the wife of President Van Buren's son, who for two years served as "mistress of the White House," the President being a widower.

Settled.

At the Summary Court, this morning, Mr. J. H. Gardner mentioned that the case in which the Hongkong Land Investment Company were the plaintiffs, and for whom he appeared, against J.O. Spiess, for the sum of \$330, had been settled.

DAY BY DAY.

"REMEMBER THAT AS A WEAPON OF DEFENCE 'I'M SORRY' IS A FAR BETTER MEDIUM THAN IT WASN'T MY FAULT!"

The Mails.

Siberian Mail.—Date per s.s. Hainchang to-day.

German Mail.—Arrived per s.s. Bulow last evening.

Siberian Mail.—Left per s.s. Tosa Maru at 5 p.m. yesterday.

Siberian Mail.—Left per s.s. Bulow at noon to-day.

Austrian Mail.—Arrived per s.s. Eastern this morning.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Eastern at 5 p.m. to-day.

Kowloon Dock Ball.
Kowloon Dock ball takes place on the 31st inst., the programme opening at 8.45 p.m. A launch will leave Blake Pier at 8.15 p.m.

Latest Advertisements.

The s.s. Japan leaves for Yokohama on the 15th inst.—Page 5.
Consignee's notices concerning the Monadnock and the Bulow appears on Page 5.

To Consignees.

Consignees of cargo by the s.s. Beneluch are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after to-morrow will be subject to rent.

Silk Cargo.

The cargo of raw silk shipped on board the s.s. Atlantique which left this port on November 4, was delivered at Lyon on the December 8.

Referee's Loss.

Mr. R. C. Barlow of Queen's College reports to the Police that while he was refereeing a football match at Causeway Bay on Wednesday he lost a silver watch valued at \$10.

German Soldiers Arrive.

A number of German soldiers arrived by the Bulow this morning, and commenced sight-seeing without any waste of time. Before nine o'clock they were ascending the Peak.

Unpaid Duty.

For bringing into the Colony a quantity of Chinese wine without paying duty of 60 cents, a Chinese was fined \$6 or in default sentenced to imprisonment for seven days, by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Police Court to-day.

To-morrow's Auctions.

To-morrow Mr. G. P. Lammert is selling suit lengths, etc., at his sales room at 11 a.m., and a fine collection of Chinese porcelain on the first floor of the Old Post Office at 2.30 p.m.

The Court Cleared.

This morning in Mr. J.R. Wood's court at the Police Court, a case came on for hearing in which a Chinese woman was charged with an offence against Chinese marriage law. The court was cleared on the magistrate's direction, the press having also to leave.

Gambler's End.

While the police were executing a gambling warrant at 31 Circular Pathway, a Chinese, during the raid, in order to avoid arrest, jumped from a second-floor window and was killed. The body has been removed to the mortuary.

The Injured Innocent.

A Chinese who stole a pale blue singlet from another, explained that he merely picked up the garment to look at it, when he was seized. Mr. J. R. Wood at the Police Court to-day sentenced the culprit to fourteen days' imprisonment, and four hours' strokes.

Rear-Admiral Tuke.

Rear-Admiral J. A. Tuke, R.N., who has just voluntarily retired at the age of 58, was Commander of the Centurion, flagship of Sir Edward Seymour on the China Station in 1898, and took part in the Boxer Expedition. He commanded the cruiser Montmouth on the same station from 1906 to 1908.

Scorpion Dancing Club.

Under most happy auspices, the Scorpion Dancing Club was revived last night, when a thoroughly enjoyable dance was held in the City Hall. Despite the inclement weather, some thirty couples took the floor, and a well-chosen programme was carried through with every success, the dancing continuing until well on after midnight. The next dance will probably take place shortly after Christmas.

A DEAL IN LANGKATS.

Puisne Judge's Interesting Judgment.

The Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Gomeriz, to-day gave judgment in the case in which Patrick C. Potts, broker, sued Li Kin-tong, 43 Connaught Road Central, claiming the sum of \$1,000 damages. The claim arose out of defendant's implied indemnity contained in a contract dated May 9, 1912, whereby the defendant instructed the plaintiff to purchase on his behalf 100 Langkats at Tls. 62 per share for delivery on July 13 and on such contract the plaintiff, to the knowledge and with the consent of the defendant, made himself personally liable to the sellers of such shares; defendant had failed to perform the said contract whereby the plaintiff had suffered damages.

Mr. Stevenson, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston, appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Reader Harris of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist for the defendant.

His Honour said:—This is a claim by the plaintiff to be indemnified in respect of liability incurred in his employment as broker, to recover moneys which he has had to pay on behalf of the defendant.

The facts of the case are simple. The plaintiff is a broker in Hongkong.

There had been previous transactions between the parties and on the 8th May the plaintiff received an order to purchase 100 Langkats on behalf of the defendant. The plaintiff made a contract through his Shanghai agents to purchase at Tels 62 for the July settlement. The contract note from Shanghai dated 9th May was in the usual form.

The plaintiff sent to the defendant a Memorandum advising him of the contract which was confirmed by defendant on a printed form which reads as follows:

Hongkong, 9th May, 1913.

To P. C. Potts,
Broker,
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Dear Sir,
I am receipt of your Memo. of even date advising that you have contracted to buy on my behalf and in accordance with my instruction one hundred shares in the Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch en Landbouwerexploitatie LANGKAT, at Tels 62 (Tels. Sixty two) for delivery on July settlement day in Shanghai, which contract you have rendered yourself personally liable to carry out. I hereby confirm the transaction.

Yours faithfully,

(s.) Li Kin Tong.

Now, on a previous occasion, that is to say, in May, the defendant had sold through the plaintiff 1,000 Cements for the June settlement. The defendant failed to give delivery and the plaintiff sustained a loss of about \$2,000.00. The market for Cements was rising and the plaintiff was uneasy about this contract. He had heard of other persons having trouble with the defendant and as the market for Langkats was falling he asked the defendant to give him some margin; but without result. He discussed the matter frequently with the defendant whom he met at that time almost every day, and finally as Langkats continued to fall, the plaintiff being apprehensive of further loss, sold on June 24 the 100 shares he had bought on May 9th. The plaintiff did this without previous notification to the defendant, nor did he apprise him subsequently that he had sold the shares. His reason was that he feared that if the defendant thought the plaintiff had lost confidence in him he might fail to stand by his Cements contract. Also the plaintiff considered that it would be of no use to give the defendant notice if the market rose to give the defendant delivery of 100 Langkats at the settlement.

The plaintiff says that he had no confidence in the Langkats market. He says also very frankly that he did not trust the defendant and did not believe he would take delivery in the event of a heavy fall. He therefore sold to limit a probable loss, taking the risk of having to buy in again on a rising market at the settlement. On the 26th July the plaintiff wrote to the defendant referring to "your purchase on 9th May."

Now, the plaintiff's case is briefly as follows.

He admits that the defendant's contract was for the July settlement, and that, there being no agreement for cover or margin, the broker was not entitled to demand any from his client. He admits also that the sale on June 24th was unauthorized by, and indeed wholly unknown to, the defendant; and that the defendant had no notice of the sale until the 8th August. He states that on the 9th May only one lot of 100 Langkats was sold to him from Shanghai; that these were the shares the price of which was debited to the defendant on that date, and that the same shares were sold to another purchaser on the 24th June.

of 100 shares of the Langkat Co. For delivery in Shanghai on 20th instant. He asks whether defendant will retain the shares in Shanghai or have them here; and states that his Shanghai agents would draw on him at 3 days sight so that the bill would probably be due about 9th or 10th August. On the 2nd August the plaintiff sent the following Memo. to the defendant.

Li Kin Tong Esq.,
Hongkong, 2nd August, 1913.

Dear Sir,—I beg to advise that the 100 Langkats you purchased from me on the 9th May at Tls. 62 for July have now arrived and the relative bill has been accepted to mature on the 8th instant, which pleases me.

Yours faithfully,

(S.) P. C. Potts.

The plaintiff says that about this time defendant kept out of his way so that he could not meet him. However, his clerk Mr. Pestonjee went to the defendant's house and found him there. Mr. Pestonjee tells us that he had several interviews with the defendant, but he especially remembers that of the 7th August, the day before the bill matured. On that occasion he pressed the defendant to take up the shares. The answer was that an earlier letter had named August 10th as the maturity day of the bill and that 7 days grace was usual.

Up to now it is clear that the defendant knew nothing nor could he have known anything of the sale of July 24th.

In fact he was being continually pressed to take up the shares and always deferred giving a definite reply. In the end he did nothing. Finally on the 8th August the price having fallen to 30 Tels, the plaintiff wrote to the defendant:—

Dear Sir,—Enclosed I beg to hand you a memo relating to the 100 Langkats bought and sold for you, from which you will see there is sum of \$1,573.84 due to me, and I shall be glad to receive your cheque for this amount in settlement.

The memo of a/c. reads as follows:—

(COPY)

Li Kin Tong Esq.,
43 Connaught Road Central,
Hongkong, 8th August,
1913.

In account with
P. C. Potts,
Debit. Credit

May 9. To purchase of 100 Langkats at Tls. 62 at Ex. 734 plus 1 per cent. brokerage.... \$8,506.48

June 24. By sale of 100 Langkats at Tls. 51 at ex. 732 less 1 per cent. brokerage.... 6,927.64

By balance due to me 1,578.84

\$8,506.48 \$8,506.48

(Sd.) P. C. Potts.

This was the first intimation defendant had that the shares had been sold.

Sometime after the delivery of this a/c. Mr. Pestonjee again saw the defendant, who complained that he had not been credited with the dividend on the shares. Consequently on 19th August a supplementary a/c. was furnished crediting the defendant with the dividend, and showing a balance in the plaintiff's favour of \$1,442.33, which is the basis of the present claim.

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He says however that his contract with defendant was to deliver no specific shares, but merely 100 Langkats at the July settlement and that he could always lay his hand on Langkats. If the market had risen, the client would have had the benefit of his purchase, the loss due to the intermediate sale falling on the broker. If on the other hand the market fell, as it did, very heavily, before the settlement, the client would have the benefit of the June sale whether he took up the shares or not. And the plaintiff hoped that the defendant's gratitude at being saved from a heavy loss would induce him to fulfil his earlier contract to deliver Cements.

Now the claim being by an agent for an indemnity the plaintiff must show that the loss he seeks to recover was incurred by him while acting in accordance with the mandate of his employer. If the plaintiff has broken the contract with his principal he cannot claim indemnity, nor can he recover any loss due to his own unauthorized dealing.

The plaintiff's contract was to buy 100 shares at his discretion and to give delivery of those shares at the July settlement. He gave his client notice of a purchase on 9th May.

It is clear that these same shares were sold by the plaintiff on the 24th June. This is proved by the plaintiff's books and by the account furnished on August 8th, which gave the defendant the benefit of that sale and also by the correspondence. The mere omission to send to the defendant a solid note on June 24th does not affect the fact that the shares then sold were sold on his behalf and it does not I think much affect this case that the original mandate was not given in respect of any specific stock, because when these shares were purchased and ever since they were treated by the plaintiff as being the property of the defendant.

Mr. Potts said very clearly that there was only one lot of 100 Langkats coming from Shanghai in respect of the two bought notes delivered, one to the defendant on 9th May, the other to Li P. Lung the subsequent purchase on 24th June.

The defendant's shares having been then already sold, the plaintiff's letters of 28th July and 2nd August suggesting that the defendant was still liable to take them up, were in fact mere bluff. The plaintiff wished, he says, to put pressure on the defendant so as to induce him to give delivery of the Cement shares he had sold.

It is, I think, clear from the facts, as they have been stated, that the sale was wholly unauthorized, and a breach of the contract the plaintiff had entered into with the defendant, which was to deliver at the proper date the shares bought on 9th May.

It makes I think no difference that the defendant would not have been prepared to take up his contract at the settlement, or that, if he had, the plaintiff would have been able to give him delivery of 100 Langkats. To do so, the plaintiff would have had to go into the market as he tells us, to make a fresh purchase on behalf of the defendant. He could no longer deliver the shares the plaintiff had contracted to buy, those shares having been sold.

The case of Ellis and Pond v. 1898, 1 Q.B. 426, which was relied on by Mr. Harris, is very much in point. A. L. Smith L.J. says at page 438:—

"It cannot be denied that down to November 19th, 1898, the defendant was under liability to the plaintiff to indemnify him should he, the defendant, break his contract with the plaintiff."

"I do not doubt that if the plaintiff had upon November 19th, 1898, rightfully sold against the defendant—although it was before the settling day—he would have been entitled to be indemnified by the defendant for the difference between what he then sold at and what if anything he had to pay."

But this is not what the plaintiff has done. He has before the next settling day, wrongfully sold against the defendant, and he now seeks the defendant to indemnify him against the consequences, not of his rightful but of his wrongful sale."

When this case is understood, it will I think be found to be one of an agent making his price.

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HONGKONG F.A.

The Monthly Meeting of the Council.

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Association was held at the Royal Engineers' Theatre last evening. Mr. R. Hancock presided. Those present included Messrs F. Browne and A. S. Storrie, Commander M. B. Baillie Hamilton R.N. and Messrs Long, Angus, Swan, Sergeant Wilson and F. W. Eager, Hon. Sec.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been disposed of the meeting welcomed Commander Baillie Hamilton on his taking up the duties of councillor.

The Secretary reported that owing to the D.O.L.I. men being away in camp it had been resolved to defer the hearing of complaints against a referee and a player until the parties could be present. This action was confirmed. The Association's Handbook for the season was ready, he said, and could be had for ten cents.

The compiler was complimented on his work.

It was pointed out that the issue was limited, and that the books could only be obtained through an affiliated club or from the Association Secretary.

The Proposed Interport Match.

The report of the conference at the proposed interport match with Shanghai Football Association submitted that the H.K.F.A. should invite the S.F.A. to visit Hongkong during the coming Chinese New Year to play an interport match with the Hongkong F.A. The report further suggested that Shanghai should be informed that the H.K.F.A. Club, the H. K. League, and the United Services League would be prepared to put representative teams against them on the occasion of their visit. It was also recommended that, in the event of Shanghai's acceptance, a working committee should be formed to carry out the whole of the incidental (entertaining, ground, advertising, &c.) in sub-committees.

The names of the General Committees are:—

Nominated by H. K. F. A.: Messrs. R. Hancock and A. P. Storrie, Captain T. A. Robertson, A. O. D. Commander M. B. Baillie Hamilton R.N. and F. W. Eager (Hon. Sec.)

Nominated by H. K. F. C.: Messrs. F. Browne, J. B. Murtrie, and J. O. Taylor.

Nominated by H. K. L.: Messrs. R. F. Long and A. S. Ellis. Nominated by U. S. League:—Lieut. E. K. Jenkins (or another nominee by the D. O. L. I.) and Sergt. A. A. Wilson R. A.

The report was approved.

The United Services League asked approval to play "Army v. Navy" at Happy Valley on Boxing Day. This was granted.

The Secretary reported that fourteen qualified official referees were on the books for active service and that all had paid their subscriptions. Eight senior clubs were also in the same position, and of the fourteen junior clubs thirteen had paid their subscription.

There was one exception the B.O.C. So far as finances was concerned, they need not worry, as they were safe until the end of the season. He did not know if the secretary of the Boys' Own Club was alive or if he was "only shamming death," but, whatever might be his condition, he certainly had not answered the letters sent to him. He (the secretary) had written a long letter to them asking them to "pay up and look pleasant" but he had got no answer.

The Chairman:—I should write to them again and say that if they don't pay they will be crossed off. Give them a week. It was agreed to notify the B.O.C. accordingly.

Took the Brass.

This morning at the Police Court, before Mr. J. R. Wood, a Chinese boiler maker was charged with stealing two pieces of brass valued at 20 cents, the property of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. at Hongkong. The defendant, who was represented by Mr. W. B. Hind of Messrs. Brutton and Hett, explained that he took the brass from the moulding shed to the boiler shed to repair a machine. The case was remanded until Monday, bail being allowed in \$25.

CANTON NEWS.

The President and the Newspapers.

(From our own Correspondent). Canton, Dec. 10.

A telegram from Peking states that the President has appointed two Private Secretaries to read all newspapers, foreign and Chinese. They are to translate all references to the recent rebellion, to financial and religious and to foreign affairs. Special attention is to be paid to references to Mongolian and Tibetan affairs. The President, it is said, spends an hour a day reading the newspapers.

Subsidiary Coins.

With reference to the case in which two men were detained by the Customs authorities for taking subsidiary coin from Canton, the Customs Commissioner wrote to the Civil Administrator asking whether people were allowed to carry subsidiary coins to Hongkong, Macao, and other places. The Civil Administrator replied that the order prohibiting the taking away of subsidiary coins had been cancelled.

The Body in the Well.

A woman named Au Wong-shi, residing at No 6 On Ku-lam, Siu Nam-mun—Small Southern Gate—beat her little servant girl aged 6 years so cruelly that she died. Fearing that this would be found out, she had the corpse purposely placed in a well so that it might appear that the maid-servant had fallen in the well and this killed herself. Some workmen were bribed to bring up the corpse from the well and put it into the coffin which was then carried out of the house. The police suspecting murder, stopped the coffin and had the corpse examined. It was found that the body was covered with wounds and the woman was accordingly arrested.

A Shocking Case.

A similar and even more shocking case was reported in which a maid-servant, 14 years old, was murdered by her mistress residing in Ping Ching Street in the Old City. The body had been burnt and the ears cut off. This woman was also arrested.

Electric Light in Fatsan.

The Kwong Wa Electric Light Company was established in Fatsan several months ago, but work has proceeded so slowly that people are said to be becoming anxious.

Canton Confucian Association. Many telegrams have been sent to the Central Government strongly advocating, on behalf of all classes, the adoption of Confucianism as the national religion. It is said that the Canton Confucian Association is to be permitted to use the Man Shan-Kung as its meeting hall.

THE "OUTLOOK" CASE

The case in which Looi Wei-keo sued U. H. Lee of the China Outlook for the sum of \$1,000 was again mentioned at the Summary Court, this morning. Mr. N. H. H. (Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton) said that in this case there would be a counter claim for improperly stopping the printing of the China Outlook. He asked for a date to be fixed. As to discovery, if they had a date fixed now without discovery it might satisfy.

The hearing was fixed for Wednesday.

EUROPEAN SUE.

Settlement Likely in Ellis Kadoorie School Case.

Mention was made to-day in the Summary Court, before His Honour the Justice Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) of the case in which the Ellis Kadoorie Chinese Schools Society figure as plaintiffs in a claim for \$1,000 against H. A. Maxwell.

Mr. Lewis, for the plaintiffs said that in all probability the case would be settled. Mr. Hind had come in and Friday was fixed. He would ask his Lordship to put the case in the list for next Friday.

His Lordship:—Very well, Friday's list.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 18th of Dec., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th of Dec., at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 25th of December, 1913, or they will not be recognized.

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All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo must be left on board or Godown and examination of same to be held on 19th inst., at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented on or before 22nd inst., otherwise they will not be recognised.

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SIX WEEKS HARD.

Absent from the House of Detention.

John Allen was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Police Court this morning, with unlawfully being absent from the House of Detention.

It was explained that the defendant had left the House of Detention on December 5 and had not returned.

Defendant said he had been to Deep Water Bay to find work.

Inspector Fenton explained that the police had been looking for the defendant, and believed he had been on the Canton boats lying about. He could not have been in the Colony, because he was well known to the police.

A sentence of six weeks' hard labour was passed.

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The Gas Company's Claim.

H.B. Collins was sued in the Summary Court, this morning, by the Hongkong and China Gas Company Limited for \$11.69.

Mr. Russ, for the defendant, asked for an adjournment for a week.

Mr. Dixon, for the plaintiff, said that he was afraid he could not consent, this was a case of the Gas Company's.

Mr. Russ:—Why should the Gas Company have a privilege over other people? The Gas Company has removed all the fittings and I have a counter claim.

Mr. Dixon: I would like to have a date fixed.

Mr. Russ: I want to file a counter claim; it is only \$11.

Mr. Dixon: Very well, I will consent to an adjournment.

The case was adjourned for a week.

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Capt. Wada

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Capt. T. Sekine

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The experiments thus far have convinced Lieut. Camden that the change is practical. The only difficulty so far met, he thinks, can be overcome by practice. The innovation, officers believe, will be invaluable in life-saving work in cases such as marked the destruction of the steamer Volturno.

Solving Turbine Problems.

Helicoidal reduction gear turbines may yet solve the much-disputed point of the efficiency of the turbine as driving power for battleships, according to an article in the Scientific American. "Broadly stated," says the article, "the guiding principle in the design of a battleship is to obtain the maximum amount of fighting power upon a given displacement. Displacement, that is to say, the total weight of the ship and her equipment when she is afloat, is the capital which the architect has to draw upon in getting out the plans for his ship. Thus, in the case let us say of the Nevada, a ship of 27,600 tons displacement, so much of this displacement is devoted to the hull, so much to the armament, so much to the armour, and so much to the stores and miscellaneous equipment."

One of the largest drafts made upon the displacement capital of a warship is that for the boilers, engines, and fuel supply; and for many years it has been realized that, if some change of motive power or some radical change in existing methods, could be made involving a reduction in weights, it might be possible, on the same displacement, to produce a ship of greatly increased fighting power. When the steam turbine made its appearance as a practical drive, it was predicted that its high efficiency and decreased weight would render this possible; but that these expectations have not been realized is shown by the fact that the Oklahoma, sister ship to the Nevada, and of the same displacement and armour protection, is being equipped with triple-expansion reciprocating engines.

It was hoped that the heavy-oil engine of the Diesel type would make possible the desired reduction in weight; but at the present writing it is agreed among the most experienced builders of oil engines, that there is little hope of this type of drive being installed in battleships for many years to come. During the past few years, however, there has been brought to perfection an adjunct of the steam turbine which promises to enable that most efficient engine to demonstrate its full economy, both in weight and in fuel consumption, as a drive for vessels of the navy and merchant marine. We refer to the reduction gear, a device which makes it possible to combine the most economical type of turbine with the most economical type of propeller in any given ship. The difficulty with the marine turbine is a fundamental one. It lies in the impossibility of reconciling the high speed of rotation necessary to secure high efficiency in the turbine with the low speed of rotation which is necessary to secure high efficiency in the propeller. If the turbine is run at its maximum efficiency speed, there is a great loss of efficiency in the propeller; if the propeller is run at its own maximum efficiency speed, there is a consumption of steam in the turbine out of all proportion to the power delivered.

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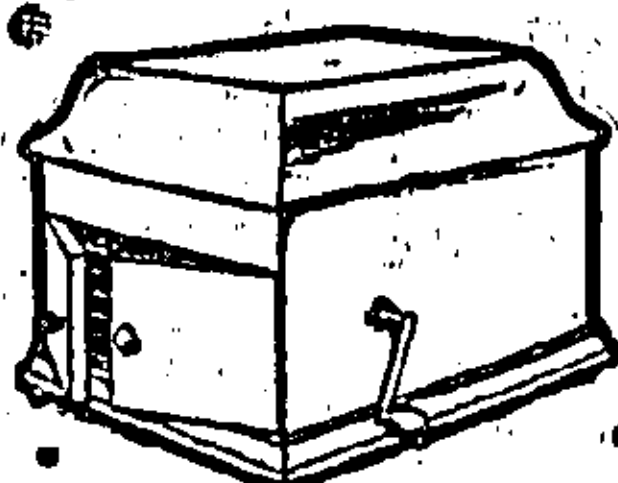
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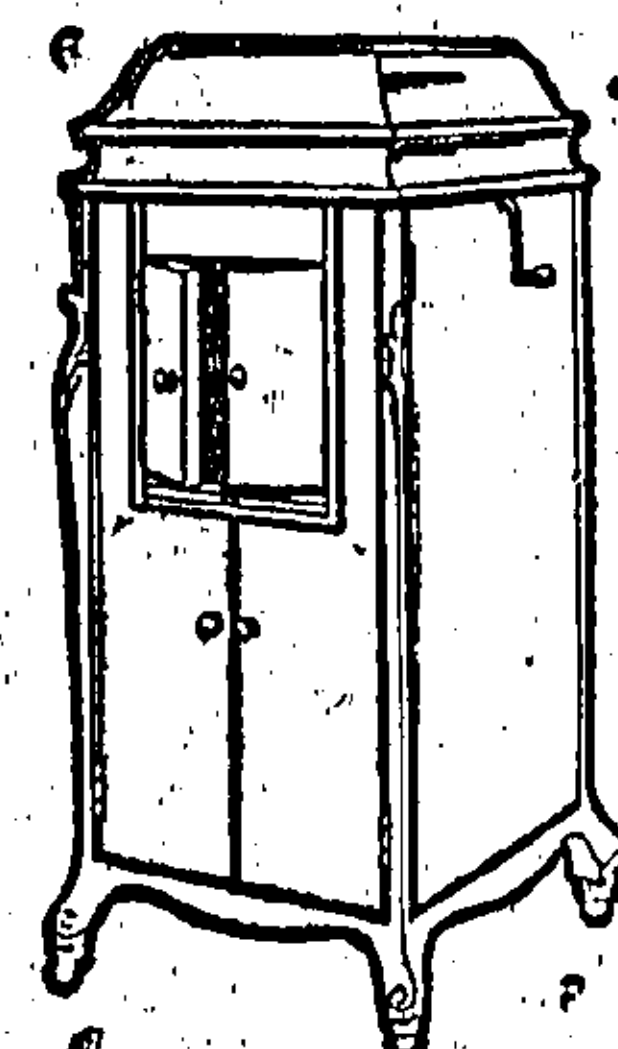
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Reserve Fund " 18,550,000

Head Office.—YOKOHAMA.

Branches: Antung-Hsien, Bombay, Calcutta, Changchun, Dairen, Fengtien, Harbin, Hankow, Honolulu, Kobe, Liao-Yang, London, Lyons.

Agencies at: Nagasaki, Newchwang, New York, Osaka, Peking, Ryojun Port, Shanghai, Tientsin, Tokyo, Los Angeles.

Interest Allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

EISHI ONO, Manager.

Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1913. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE.—LONDON.

Paid-up Capital £1,200,000

Reserve Fund £1,700,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. S. HEWETT, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [22]

Notice

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up \$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, etc.

Goods received on Storage.

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System.

(Rates and Particulars on application.)

The Office of TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILL, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertaken and Executed.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1908. [32]

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

1.00 A.M. to 1.30 A.M. Every 15 Min.

1.30 A.M. to 2.00 A.M. " " " "

2.00 A.M. to 2.30 A.M. " " " "

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7.30 A.M. to 8.00 A.M. " " " "

8.00 A.M. to 8.30 A.M. " " " "

8.30 A.M. to 9.00 A.M. " " " "

9.00 A.M. to 9.30 A.M. " " " "

9.30 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. " " " "

Banks

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

Paid-up Capital \$15,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS:

Sterling

\$1,500,000 at 2/-

\$15,000,000

Silver 17,450,000

\$32,450,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$15,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

S. H. Dodwell, Esq.,—Chairman.

Mr. D. Landale,—Deputy Chairman.

G. Friesland, Esq.

E. Goetz, Esq.

O. S. Gubbay, Esq.

P. H. Holyoak, Esq.

G. H. Laurens, Esq.

W. L. Pattenden, Esq.

J. A. Plummer, Esq.

Hon. Mr. E. Shellim.

H. A. Siebs, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:

Hongkong—N. J. Stabb.

MANAGER.

Shanghai—A. G. Stephen.

London Bankers—London County and Westminster Limited.

Hongkong—Interest Allowed.

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 2½ per cent per Annum.

For 6 months, 3½ per cent per Annum.

For 12 months, 4 per cent per Annum.

N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 4½ Per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 Per Cent. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK

Capital Fully Paid-up Sh. Tael 7,500,000.

Head Office.—Shanghai.

Board of Directors.—Berlin.

Branches:

Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hamburg, Hankow, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Tainanfu, Taiping, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS:

Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons.

The Union of London and Smith's Bank, Limited.

Deutsche Bank (Berlin), London Agent.

Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft.

Dresdner Bank.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHIEDT, Manager.

Hongkong, 9th Oct. 1911. [2]

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED

Authorized Capital \$21,500,000

Subscribed " 1,125,000

Paid Up " 562,500

Reserve Fund " 4,500,000

BANKERS:

Bank of England.

London Joint Stock Bank, Limited.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

A. B. LINTON, Manager.

THE ALEXANDRA CAFE

Cannot be Beaten. If Equalled.

For Bread, Cakes, Confectionery, meals, with Wines & Liquors.

Exchange

Selling.	1/11 5/16	T/T Marks	189
Demand	1/11 3/8	T/T. Francs	2.46
30 d/s	1/11 7/16	On Haiphong	1 3/4 pm.
60 d/s	1/11 9/16	On Saigon	2 1/4 pm.
4 m/s	1/11 9/16	On Bangkok	79 1/4
T/T Shanghai	73 1/2	Buying	
T/T Singapore	83 1/8	4 m/s. L/C	1/11 7/8
Private 30 d/s sight S'hai	74 3/8	4 m/s. D/F	2/-
T/T Japan	95	6 m/s. L/C	2/- 1/16
T/T India	145	30 d/s. S'ney & Melbourne	1/8
T/T Bombay	145	30 d/s. San F'co & New York	4.8
Demand Bombay	145 1/4	4 m/s. Marks	2.04
T/T Calcutta	145	4 m/s. Francs	2.51 1/2
Demand Calcutta	145 1/4	6 m/s. do	2.53 1/2
Demand India	145 1/4	Bar Silver, ready	26 3/4
Demand Manila	85 1/4	forward	26 13/16
T/T San F'co & New York	47 1/2	Gold Leaf per tael	53.60
T/T Java	117 1/2	Bank of England rate	5%
		Sovereign	10.20

Subsidiary Coins.		Opium Quotation.	
Discount per \$100		Nov. 21.	
Chinese ... 20 cts. pieces	\$10 3/8%	Malwa, New	\$4,600 per pie.
Chinese ... 10	\$10 5/8	Malwa, Old	4,900 ..
Hongkong 20	\$8	Patna, New	5,825 per oha.
Hongkong 10	\$10	Patna, Old	5,700 ..
		Benares, New	5,575 ..
		Benares, Old	5,350 ..

SHARE REPORT.

S-SELLERS	SA-SALE	D-BUYERS
Stocks & Bonds of Value.	CLOSING QUOTES	LAST DIVIDEND AND RATE.
Hongkong & S'hai \$125	\$790 b.	\$2 at ex 1/11 1/2 equal to \$20.31 for 1/2 year ending 30/6/13
Cantons \$50	\$325 b.	\$18 for 1912
North China \$25	\$133 b.	Final of 1/11 p.c. making 20 p.c. for 1912
Unions \$100	\$810 s.	Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1911 and Interim of \$30 for 1912
Yangtze \$250	\$195	Final of \$12 mak. \$15 for 1911 & Int. of \$3 for 1912
China \$100	\$161	\$10 for 1911
Hongkong Fires \$50	\$380 s.	\$27 for 1911
Douglas Steamship \$50	\$30 s.	\$1 for 1906
Steamboats \$15	\$29 1/2 sa.	\$2.50 for year end'g 30/6/13
Indo-China (Preferred)	\$25	Interim of \$1 for half year ending 30/6/13
Indo-China (Deferred)	\$25	\$6 p.c. for year 1912 on preferred shares
Shell Transports \$1	\$100/-	Final of 4/- making 6/- for year ending 31/12/12
Star Ferry \$10	\$45 b.	Int. of 1/- a/o. 1913
China Sugars \$100	\$98 s.	\$2 on 10,000 shares 1st issue
Luzon Sugars \$100	\$93 s.	\$2 on 10,000 " 2nd "
Chinese Engineering \$1	\$36 b.	\$1 on 10,000 " 3rd "
Tronche \$1	\$4 1/2 sa.	for year ending 30/4/13
Rauha \$1	\$3 1/2 s.	\$3 for 1912
Kowloon Wharfs \$50	\$69 s.	\$3 for 1897
H.K. & W'poo Docks \$50	\$72 s.	Interim of 3/4 p.c. 8 2/5d per share. Coupon No. 1 account year 10/6/13
Shanghai Docks T. 100	\$4	Int. of 1/8 mak. 6/6 a/o. 1913 1/2 for 1909
Hongkong Wharfs T. 100	T. 110	\$4.50 for year 1912
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS		\$1 final dividend for year 1911
Anglo French Lands T. 100	T. 94	Tls. 3 for 1912
Hongkong Hotels \$50	\$122 1/2 s.	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1913
Hongkong Lands \$100	\$115 b.	Tls. 6 2/5d 10
Humphreys Estates \$10	\$91	\$3 on old shares, \$1.50 on new shares for half year 31/12/12
Kowloon Lands \$30	\$45 b.	\$3 1/2 for 1/2 year ending 30/6/13
Shanghai Lands T. 30	T. 91	50 cents for 1912
West Point \$50	\$69 s.	\$2.80 for 1912
Manila M'pole Hotel P. 10	P. 8	Interim of 5 p.c. for year ending 30/6/13 half
EWOS COTTON MILLS		\$2 for 1/2 year ending 30/6/13
Ewoa T. 50	T. 147 b.	\$0.6/3
Shanghai Cottons T. 120	s.	15 per cent. for 1910
Laou Kung Mow	106 b.	7 p.c. for year ending 31/10/12
Kung Yik	14 b.	Tls. 10 for year ending 30/6/13
Hongkong Cottons \$10	\$9 s.	50 cents 31.7.08
China-Borneo \$12	\$9 1/2 b.	85 cents for 1912
Light and Powers \$10	\$44 s.	70 cents for 1912
Do. (Spec. shares) \$1	\$4 s.	\$1.30 for year end'g 31/7/13
China Providents \$10	\$63 b.	40 cents for 1911
Dairy Farms \$6	\$27 1/2 b.	\$1.60 per share for '12
Green Islands \$10	\$64 s.	\$2 interim for 1913
Hongkong Electric \$10	\$46 b.	\$1 interim for 1913
Hongkong Ice \$25	\$185	
Hongkong Ropes \$10	\$22 1/2 b.	
Langkate \$10	T30 b.	
Morning Post	\$25	
Peak Tramway \$10	\$104 1/2 b.	
Do. (new) \$1	90 cts. b.	
Hongkong Electric Tram \$10	\$4 s.	
Philippines \$10	\$5 s.	
H. Price & Co., Ltd. \$10	\$6 s.	
Societe des Reunies \$50	\$20	
Papierettes \$50	\$20	
Union Waterboat \$10	\$17 1/2 b.	
Welsmann, Ltd. \$10	\$30 b.	
Watson \$10	\$8 s.	
William Powell \$10	\$9 s.	

Consignees

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"COBLENZ,"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 16th of Dec. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 16th of Dec., at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 23rd of Dec., 1913, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 9th Dec. 1913. [1068]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship

"BENLEUCH."

From LEITH, MIDDLEBRO, LONDON & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow

